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PEOPLES TEMPLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH TAKES LEAD IN ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP, RESPECT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS.

Peoples Temple started a fund several years ago to assist the families of policemen who were killed by senseless acts of violence. "We are utterly horrified by this move to murder police all over this nation," Reverend Jim Jones told the San Francisco Chronicle. Since then, Peoples Temple has sent funds to the families of slain policemen all over the nation on countless occasions.

Pastor Jim Jones, who has served as Grand Jury Foreman, and as a highly respected member of the Juvenile Justice Commission for our county, feels the necessity of sound law enforcement to serve and protect our communities today and in the future. Local officials have consistently commended Pastor Jones' congregations for being exceptionally law-abiding. The Pastor's emphasis upon respect for law enforcement has resulted in a remarkable record for Peoples Temple members in helping many persons to become rehabilitated and successfully reintegrated into the mainstream of society. The Temple's program also has been an effective instrument for bringing scores of youth off hard-line drugs and guiding them to a life of productive citizenship. Some of them are now working in law enforcement around the state.

Inspired by Pastor Jones' example, the Peoples Temple congregation voted long ago to make substantial contributions, amounting to thousands of dollars, for law enforcement programs and for equipment that the Police Department budgets did not allow for. In San Francisco, support has been given to the Drug Prevention Program and a contribution made to the Police Summer Youth Fishing Program. In Ukiah, Peoples Temple has supported the Police Drug Abuse Program, purchased reserve officers' uniforms, financed a public address system in the Mendocino County Jail, and donated to the California Highway Patrol for its Drunk Driving Prevention Program. The Temple also helped to put out a booklet on junior citizenship entitled, "Laws for Ukiah Youth," which was circulated in all area public schools.

Pastor Jim Jones and the members of Peoples Temple Christian Church wish to:

EXPRESS THEIR DEEP APPRECIATION to Law Enforcement personnel who practice with valor the Equal Enforcement of the Laws, and

PROMISE THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT of vital, unheralded work in protecting the Constitutional Liberties of our American citizens, and

PLEDGE THEIR CONTINUED PARTICIPATION in Drug Abuse Prevention efforts, Reserve Officer Programs, Community Relations work, and in rendering assistance to families of policemen slain in the line of duty.

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LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

"The apparent depth of respect which your congregation holds for law enforcement agencies in general and for this Department, in particular, is most gratifying and deeply appreciated.

"Your congregation's firm stand in support of the police is most vital and germane in the performance of their dangerous and endless task of protecting and serving the citizens of our free society. It is organizations like yours . . . throughout the country that are to be especially commended for the nobility of reason and maturity of vision in giving the most needed support to the efforts of law enforcement."

E. M. Davis, Chief of Police

SAN FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT

"You are to be commended for . . . outstanding service to mankind."

Donald M. Scott, Chief of Police

"The knowledge of your good deeds has been with us for a long time."

President, S. F. Police Commission

FRESNO POLICE DEPARTMENT

"Those in police work are constantly aware of the lack of community resources and existence of viable rehabilitation programs designed to help our young people return to productive lives. Thank heaven there are individuals and organizations, such as the Peoples Temple, who not only recognize this need but are also doing something about it.

"My congratulations to you and your organization for your much appreciated efforts. If we can ever be of assistance, do not hesitate calling on us."

H. E. Britton, Chief of Police

CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT

"The Peoples Temple Church certainly deserves accolades from those of us engaged in the field of crime prevention, for the moral, physical, and spiritual leadership it has provided for citizens . . . "

James M. Rochford, Superintendent of Police

UKIAH POLICE DEPARTMENT

"I wish to introduce you to the Reverend Jim Jones and members of the Peoples Temple Christian Church of Redwood Valley, California.

"Jim and his church members strongly support law enforcement and they also respect the property rights of others. They have never trespassed, destroyed or littered. In fact, any area they visit will benefit because the grounds are 'policed' and all litter is removed prior to their departure.

"Any assistance you may give to the church members will be greatly appreciated. If, for any reason, you desire additional information, feel free to contact me or any member of my department."

Donn D. Saulsbury, Chief of Police